

The Ranking Republican on the Committee on House Administration Says Justice Alito is Right; Court Decision Doesn't Open Floodgates for Foreign Spending in U.S. Elections

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WASHINGTON - Today, the Committee on House Administration's Ranking Republican Dan Lungren, R-Calif., issued the following statement on the President's false assumption that the recent United States Supreme Court ruling in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* will open the floodgates for foreign spending in U.S. elections:

"Justice Alito is correct.□ The assumption that the Court's recent decision will open the floodgates for foreign spending in U.S. elections is simply not true.□ Since the Court's decision to overturn unconstitutional restrictions on free speech, there has been a substantial amount of misinformation disseminated by Democrats in an attempt to scare the American electorate into supporting their attempts to stifle political speech.

□ *"It's time to set the record straight.□ The Court's decision did not - in any way, shape or form - impact existing rules and regulations that specifically prohibit foreign nationals from directly or indirectly contributing to election activity.□ The legal prohibitions on foreign involvement in U.S. elections are broad, clear and completely intact.*

□ *"Instead of spreading misinformation in the hopes of silencing political free speech, Democrats should focus on solving the real problems plaguing American families."*

□ For more information, please contact the Committee press office at (202) 225-8281.